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SUBJECT: DR CONCERNING SAVINGS IN UNESCO BUDGET TO HELP MEET
DEFICIT (ITEM 7.2)

REF: (A) STATE 187754; (B) STATE 185616

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF OPERATIVE PARAS OF DR SUBMITTED TO 93RD
EXBD BY WORKING GROUP ON FINANCIAL SITUATION ON SEPT 21. FULL
TEXT OF DR, TOGETHER WITH WG REPORT TO BOARD, WILL BE HANDCARRIED
DEPT BY ALLEN SEPT 24.

QUOTE: THE EXECUTIVE BOARD,...

10. INVITES THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL TO RE-EXAMINE THE WORK PLANS
OF THE ORGANIZATION WITH A VIEW TO IDENTIFYING REDUCTIONS WHICH
WOULD RESULT IN THE LEAST DAMAGE TO THE COHERENCE AND MUTUALLY-
REINFORCING ASPECTS OF THE PRINCIPAL SEGMENTS OF AN INTEGRATED
PROGRAMME AND WHICH WOULD NOT REDUCE UNESCO'S CAPACITY TO
COOPERATE WITH AND ASSIST OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
AND THE REGIONAL AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS WITH WHICH IT HAS BEEN
WORKING;

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11. INVITES THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL TO PREPARE PROPOSALS FOR FURTHER

CURTAILMENTS WHICH WOULD PRODUCE SAVINGS IN THE ORDER OF \$1,600,000 (OVER AND ABOVE SUCH ECONOMIES AS MIGHT BE NECESSARY TO MEET FURTHER INFLATIONARY COSTS).

12. DECIDES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH FINANCIAL REGULATION 3.9, TO SUBMIT TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE AT ITS THIRD EXTRAORDINARY SESSION FOR ITS FAVOURABLE CONSIDERATION THE SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES PREPARED BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL (DOCUMENT 3 EX/GC) AND REVISED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 11 ABOVE. UNQUOTE.

2. SECRETARIAT ESTIMATES INFLATIONARY COSTS NOTED IN PARA. 11 ABOVE WILL TOTAL \$1 MILLION DURING BALANCE OF FINANCIAL PERIOD. UK ESTIMATE IS THAT THESE COSTS MIGHT BE AS LOW AS \$500,000. IN ANY EVENT \$1.6 MILLION IN PROGRAM SAVINGS PLUS \$500,000 ADDITIONAL SAVINGS ON FURTHER INFLATION DEFICIT, TOTAL \$2.1 MILLION. IF SECRETARIAT ESTIMATE PROVES MORE ACCURATE, TOTAL SAVINGS WOULD BE \$2.6 MILLION.

3. IN VIEW OF ABOVE, MARTIN SAYS UK WILL VOTE FOR DR; FRG ANB BLANKENHORN IS STRONGLY URGING FRG TO INSTRUCT HIM TO CAST POSITIVE VOTE. UNLESS UNEXPECTED CHANGES MADE IN DR AT PLENARY SESSION MORNING OF SEPT 24 OR MORNING OF SEPT 25, PERM REP INTENDS, ON BASIS A GUIDANCE PROVIDED REF A, TO VOTE FOR WG' S DR.

4. NOT CLEAR AT THIS WRITING WHETHER WG WILL BE ASKED TO PREPARE SECOND DR SPELLING OUT FINANCING OF SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATE, INCLUDING BORROWING AUTHORITY FOR DG AND USE OF MISCELLANEOUS INCOME DERIVED FROM ASSESSMENT PAYMENTS OF GDR AND GAMBIA TO REDUCE DEFICIT. IRWIN

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